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FROM: Susan F. Brand
DATE: November 16, 1988
SUBJECT: American Glue & Resin, Inc., 40 School Street, Middleton
DEQE Case No. 3-0168

Dear Ida:

I am writing with some comments to certain materials that were submitted to you by letter dated September 29, 1988, from David Baer on behalf of American Glue. These materials consist of a Site History of the American glue property and information concerning fuel oil tank removal at that site.

The source of the following comments is members of the LeColst family.

1. At page 2 of the Site History, Sandra A. Pollock is the daughter of Frank T. and Priscilla F. LeColst (not Elizabeth C.).
2. Also at page 2, Pocahontas Spring Water Co. never produced bottled water at any of the School Street properties. Its trucks were garaged in Middleton, but it operated out of, and its water came from, a location in Lynnfield.
3. At the bottom of page 2, the Site History describes a pump and a "dried up spring" that were sealed off at 40 School Street. This version is somewhat inaccurate, in that the spring (or well, as I refer to it below) was neither dried up nor sealed in 1970, and the concrete slab that is mentioned was there for another purpose.

The pump in question was an old-fashioned rotary pump that sat on a concrete slab (approximately 2 feet high and 2 feet square) on top of a well. The pump and slab were located in a well house, which was situated within the outer walls of the facility at a level about 8 feet below floor level. The top of the well house had a removable cover at floor level. The floor at the bottom of the well house was concrete and measured about six feet by six feet. A metal shaft ran from the pump down through the concrete slab and then down into the well; water was drawn up through this shaft. This well was still in use in November 1970, when Tom Sawyer Beverage sold the premises to Mssrs. Shea and Davis.

It is our understanding that Shea and Davis built their laboratory over the well house, and that they ran the drainpipe from the laboratory sink(s) into the well house, apparently thinking it was some kind of septic tank or

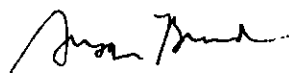
sewerage apparatus. They were informed that this was a water supply; we do not know if this use was discontinued.

4. At page 3, the parties who purchased the premises in question from Tom Sawyer were Richard T. Shea and C. Russell Davis.

5. I would like to bring your attention to one other matter that arose at the time the fuel tank was removed. At the time the fuel tank was removed from the premises, as you know, a toluene tank and a gasoline tank had previously been removed. It is our understanding that soil around the latter two tanks was found to be contaminated, and was left in piles on the site for that reason. When the fuel tank was removed, the piles of contaminated soil were levelled and were spread over the ground at the premises (and possibly into the hole from which the fuel tank was removed). DEQE was notified that afternoon; a Rodene DeRice took the call.

Thank you for your attention to these matters. If you have any questions, please feel free to call me.

Sincerely,



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